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April 14, 1993

TO:

Minerals File

FROM:

Tony Gallegos, Reclamation Engineer Add

RE:

Site Inspection, William Bown, Green Beetle Mine, \$/003/017, Box Elder

County, Utah

Date of Inspection:

April 13, 1993

Time of Inspection:

1130 - 1240

Conditions:

Partly cloudy, cold breeze

Participants:

Gary Mullard, Kim Fuller Northern Stone Supply; Dan Washington, BLM; Bryce Tripp, Utah Geological Society; Tony Gallegos, DOGM

Purpose of Inspection: To examine the mine site

This inspection was conducted immediately after visiting the S/003/012 site which is nearby. Land ownership at this site is split, with the BLM holding the surface rights and State Lands & Forestry holding the mineral rights.

There are two disturbed areas associated with this operation. The first area visited was located on a bench or knoll near the access road from Rosebud to Dry Basin. The site is bordered on the south by the access road and on the north by a drainage. This site includes a cut into the knoll on the north and some excavation into the hillside on the south. A road has been partially graded from the hillside down through a small drainage to intersect the main access road. A discarded oil filter and several oil spots were found at this site. There are several piles of stone material which have been pushed out from the excavations.

The second area is east of the first area and located near the top of a hillside. This disturbance is larger in size than the first. This site includes two cuts into the hillside on the north-northwest side of the hill. There are piles of stone material down slope of the cuts. The top of the hillside has also been disturbed. There are numerous roads at the site. It is unclear which roads have been created by the mine operator and which roads were pre-existing.



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The road issue will need to be resolved in the near future, probably by meeting with the operator and BLM. Another issue of concern is the road crossing the drainage at the first area visited. The operator will also need to resolve this issue with the BLM and the Division. Photographs were taken to document the status of the site.

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cc: Dan Washington, Bear River RA, BLM

Jerry Mansfield, State Lands & Forestry

William Bown, Operator

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